

# Road Construction Updates

**Nov. 9-23, 2012: Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks**



Plan carefully to maximize fun and minimize delays during your visit. Our construction season is short, and the work is necessary for everyone's safety. Thank you for your patience.

## Where are the longest delays or inconveniences?

You will find **20-minute to 1-hour delays** between the Hwy. 198 entrance to Sequoia National Park and the Giant Forest sequoia grove and General Sherman Tree. *Construction schedules may change with little notice.*

## Avoid long delays

Traffic is permitted to pass from either side of the construction zone according to the following schedule. Plan your travel to arrive at the construction zone close to these times.

**DAYTIME - Expect **one hour delays** on weekdays between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.**

**Friday, Nov. 9: Monday - Friday, Nov. 12-16 AND Monday - Tuesday, Nov. 19-20**

Traffic passes through the construction zone every hour on the hour at:

7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 a.m. and 12, 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 p.m.

**Wednesday, Nov. 21: 7 a.m.-12 p.m. One hour delays. Pass through at:**

7, 8, 9, 10, 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.

**Thursday & Friday, Nov. 22 & 23: 20 minute delays on green signal light.**

- **REGULAR WORK SCHEDULE ON VETERANS DAY 11/12.**
- **MAXIMUM 20 MINUTE DELAYS ON GREEN SIGNAL LIGHT AT ALL OTHER TIMES.**
- **NO NIGHT WORK UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

## **New Utilities Construction Project in Giant Forest, Sequoia NP**

Installation of a new water system in a 1.25-mile section of road between Giant Forest Museum and Pinewood Picnic Area:

- Expect up to 20 minute delays with flaggers on weekdays from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. through mid-December 2012, weather permitting.
- Expect up to 10 minute delays on traffic lights at other times (including weekends). *This project is expected to continue with similar delays from mid-April through the end of September 2013.*

Both road construction projects are being synchronized to reduce visitors' wait times in the parks.

## How can you minimize delays?

- Give yourself plenty of time to visit.
- Stop by a visitor center, and ask a ranger to help plan your visit.
- Visit the only official park website for major road construction updates: [www.nps.gov/seki](http://www.nps.gov/seki).
- For the latest road updates call (24 hrs): 559-565-3341 (press 1, 1, 1).

## **RVs & TRAILERS**

The main road (Generals Hwy) to the General Sherman Tree, Giant Forest, and Lodgepole is closed to vehicles longer than 22 feet (total combined length) shortly after the Sequoia National Park entrance.

Longer vehicles should enter and exit the parks via Hwy. 180 at Kings Canyon National Park.

## **MOTORCYCLES & BICYCLES**

Road project work may cause slick, oily, and hazardous road conditions. Slow down and be safe!